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at 8.15 p.m. on Friday, December 1st.
Except by express invitation, no one but
a member of the Police Reserve may
attend. Uniform must be worn, or
admittance will be refused.

PARADES, CENTRAL STATION, 5.30 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 4th.—All Recruits. The
Sergeant-Major will take Recruits of
No. 1 Platoon on this date.
Tuesday, Dec. 5th.—No. 2 Company
under Company Commander.
Wednesday, Dec. 6th.—All Recruits.
Thursday, Dec. 7th.—Nos. 3 and 4
Companies.
Friday, Dec. 8th.—Nos. 1, 3 and 4
Sections of No. 1 Company.

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[1251]

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THINGS THE "QUIRK" HAS TO

MASTER.

[BY AN AIR PILOT IN THE "DAILY

CHRONICLE"]

The British Air Service is now a great

army, 80 per cent. of whom, before the

war, had never even seen an aeroplane,

much less been up in one—bank clerks,

young merchants, undergrads, doctors,

lawyers, journalists, all endowed with

two sterling qualities required by the

pilot of the air, courage and level-headed-

ness. And how has this great miracle

been accomplished? August 1914 found

us lamentably short of both personnel

and material, but what little there was

was of the very best. The already ex-

perienced pilots set to work with a will

upon the more than generous quantity of

raw material that came to hand. With-

in a few months their influence made

itself felt. They taught the "quirks"—

airman's pet name for the novice—in

their own simple and unostentatious

manner, that the air is to be respected

but never feared, the aeroplane treated

as a being of life and animation, with

quaint humours peculiarly its own, and

not as a lifeless mass of metal and

wood. Within six months the number

of fully-trained British pilots had trea-

bled itself; within a year the number

had grown beyond all proportion, and

still it goes on.

The usual method of training a new

hand is to get him used to the air which,

though apparently harmless and void, is

as tricky and treacherous as the sea. The

beginner is taken up for several

flights as a passenger. In the initial

flight the pilot will perform the most

daring manoeuvres and precipitous turns,

watching his passenger closely the whole

time for any signs of nervousness or fear.

It is a most trying ordeal that first trip

up aloft, and the bravest hearts have

been known to quail.

FIRST FLIGHT ORDEALS.

Recently there was a case at a large

flying school of a major of Marines, con-

cerning whose courage there could not be

the slightest doubt, and who possessed,

among other decorations, the much

coveted D.S.O. After a first trip above

the major remained in his seat of the

landed aeroplane for fully a quarter of

an hour, ashen of countenance, and too

terrified to speak. It was not cowardice,

but simply that he was temperamentally

unusually sensitive. At length, when he

composed himself sufficiently to clamber

out, he vowed that never again would he

go up in an aeroplane.

Following the first flights there are

numerous trips in dual-control machines,

that is to say, with the ordinary pilot

control-stick and steering bar duplicated,

and both couples working under the

same controls. Thus, gradually, the

"quirk" becomes used to the handling

of the craft and accustomed to the

sudden drop in an air bank, or an un-

expected rise of 200 ft. in the air.

he is, massing troops at a certain

point, or digging in new gun emplace-

ment, or if there is any unusual activity

on the highways and railways imme-

diately behind his firing line. It is a

difficult matter to differentiate between

infantry and cavalry on the march;

to distinguish a cleverly-hidden gun

emplacement, or to tell the difference

between an ammunition and a supply

depot.

Bomb-dropping is a practice that re-

quires the patience of a Job, good judg-

ment, and a calm day—that is, if it is

required to attain any degree of ac-

curacy. Last, but not least, there is the

matter of aerial combat which, however

covers too wide a field for discussion in

this short article.

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ed within a period ranging from four to

nine months, we have a blend of gunner,

wireless-expert, map-reader, amateur

detective, and aviator.

DRINK IN WAR TIME.

CONVICTIONS LOWEST FOR FORTY

YEARS.

There were fewer public-houses closed

in 1914 than in any year since 1906, the

decrease in the number of offences in

England and Wales being 1,034.

According to a Blue Book on licensing

statistics issued yesterday in the ten

years 1906 to 1915 (the date of the

Licensing Act), the average annual

decrease in offences was 1906. For the

ten years, 1906-15 the average was 1,955,

and during 1915 the decrease will prob-

ably prove to have been about 725,

making an annual average for the 11

years since the Act of 1904 came into

operation of about 1,524, and leaving a

total of about 55,901 offences at the

beginning of the year 1916, as compared

with 58,934 in 1906.

On January 1, 1915, there were 5,902

registered clubs, representing an in-

crease of 184 over the previous year, the

smallest increase in any year except

1908. It is estimated that the number

of clubs in existence on January 1, 1916,

was 5,534.

BIG FALL IN CONVICTIONS.

It is very noticeable that the marked

decrease in convictions which took place

in the latter months of 1914 was accen-

tuated throughout 1915. The total con-

victions for drunkenness in England and

Wales in 1915 were 12,811, as compared

with 163,529 in 1914—a decrease of

48,017, or 29.1 per cent. The total of

12,811 is the lowest recorded for up-

wards of 40 years, and is 28 per cent.

below the total for 1913. The figures

for conviction last year and the two

preceding years are as follows:

Year Men Women

1913 154,113 35,765

1914 146,517 37,311

1915 102,600 33,511

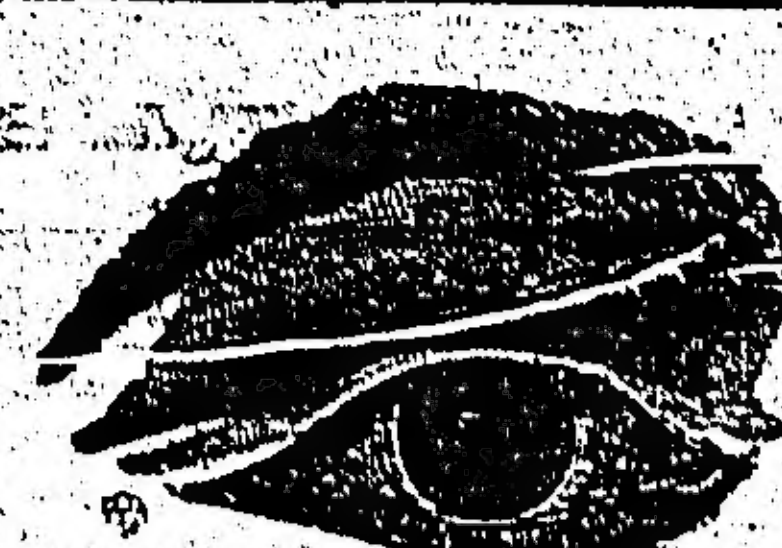
In 1915 the greatest decrease was in

the Eastern agricultural counties, in

which convictions diminished 41.8 per

cent. The next highest decrease was in

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LATEST TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

CHANGES AT THE BRITISH ADMIRALTY.

ADMIRAL JELlicoe TO BE FIRST SEA LORD.

ADMIRAL BEATTY TO COMMAND THE GRAND FLEET.

London, Nov. 29.

In the House of Commons Mr. Balfour announced that Admiral Sir John Jellicoe had been appointed First Sea Lord and that Admiral Sir David Beatty had been appointed to the command of the Grand Fleet.

Admiral Sir Henry Jackson has been appointed Admiral President of the Royal Naval College, Greenwich. Mr. Balfour said that "decisions involving these appointments were taken some time ago, but their announcement had been delayed for military reasons. There would be consequential changes in the Board of Admiralty."

THE WESTERN FRONT.

London, Nov. 29.

Sir Douglas Haig reports intermittent enemy shelling at Guisecourt and south of Arras, and considerable trench mortar activity at Maquissart and Neuve Chapelle.

Paris, Nov. 29.

A communiqué states: "There has been fairly great reciprocal artillery work south of the Somme and in the sectors Blaches and Fresnoire."

GERMAN REPORT ON THE AIR RAID.

BRITISH DEFENCE EXTRA-ORDINARILY STRONG.

Amsterdam, Nov. 29.

A Berlin official announcement regarding the air raid on England on the 28th inst. says: "The British defence is extraordinarily strong. One aircraft was brought down by hostile aircraft near Scarborough. A second has not returned and must be considered as lost."

BRITISH AEROPLANES AGAIN ATTACK ZEEBRUGGE.

London, Nov. 29.

The Admiralty announces that Naval aeroplanes carried out an attack on the harbour of Zeebrugge on Tuesday afternoon. The results were not observed owing to the state of the weather. All the machines returned safely.

THE KAISER AT VIENNA.

SPENDS A DAY IN PRAYER.

Amsterdam, Nov. 29.

A Berlin official announcement states that the Kaiser arrived in Vienna yesterday morning and returned in the evening. The Kaiser's cold is not improving and the doctors advised him to abandon his intention to attend the funeral. An official reception was cancelled. The Kaiser devoted the day to prayer beside the bier of the Emperor Francis-Joseph, on which he laid a wreath. He conversed with the young Imperial couple.

THE LOYALTY OF THE SIKHS.

New York, Nov. 29.

Interviewed by a correspondent of the Associated Press of America, Sir Michael O'Dwyer, Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab, after referring to the conspiracy in Punjab, said that out of 100,000 Indian recruits since the war, the Punjab, though only a twelfth of the Indian Empire, furnished 50 per cent, and one-third of them were Sikhs, though they were only one-tenth of the population of the Punjab. Thus the misdeeds of a few thousands of the community, so far from affecting the traditional loyalty of the Sikhs, only

RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE IN THE CARPATHIANS.

HEIGHTS CAPTURED AND 700 PRISONERS TAKEN.

London, Nov. 28.

A Russian communiqué indicates that a Russian offensive has commenced in the wooded Carpathians. It says: "We captured ridges of heights and south of Kiriababa, taking 700 prisoners, six machine-guns and other material."

THE GERMAN REPORT.

A German official report says that Russian attacks at many points in the wooded Carpathians and East Transylvania gained one small local advantage.

THE ENEMY'S ADVANCE IN RUMANIA.

THE COMING GREAT BATTLE.

Amsterdam, Nov. 29.

A German communiqué states: "General von Falkenhayn is advancing victoriously on the whole Wallachian front. The enemy is retiring eastwards in disorder."

The movements of the Danube army correspond with those forces operating farther north.

London, Nov. 29.

News of a great battle for the defence of Bukharest is hourly awaited.

French experts point out that though the Ministers and the Staffs of the Legations and Banks were transferred to Jassy from Bukharest some days ago, the Rumanian Generalissimo Averesco, the Headquarters Staff and the Allies have not changed their Headquarters.

THE MACEDONIAN FRONT.

GOOD PROGRESS BY ALLIES.

London, Nov. 29.

A French communiqué states: "The Serbians brilliantly carried a height north-west of Grunista, east of Cerna, and maintained themselves there despite furious attacks by the Germans and Bulgars, who suffered heavy losses without result."

Our Zouaves stormed a height east of Hill 1050 north of Monastir. To the north-west of this violent fighting is progressing. We are advancing towards Hill 1248, which the enemy is defending obstinately.

The Italians are also advancing in the mountainous region of Orizastena.

THE PARIS CHAMBER.

Paris, Nov. 29.

Another secret session of the Chamber has been opened. The newspapers urge closer co-operation between the Government, Parliament and the Army.

GERMAN EXCHANGE IN NEW YORK.

LOWEST SINCE THE WAR BEGAN.

New York, Nov. 29.

Exchange on Germany has reached the lowest point since the beginning of the war.

THE COAL STRIKE IN AUSTRALIA.

Melbourne, Nov. 29.

All compromises in connection with the coal strike have been rejected, and Mr. Hughes has appointed a Joint Tribunal. He hopes that a decision will be reached before December 4th.

DOMINION PREMIERS AND PEACE.

London, Nov. 29.

In the House of Lords Lord Lansdowne reaffirmed Mr. Harcourt's assurance given in April, 1916, that the Dominion Premiers would be consulted to the fullest extent when peace was discussed, and his lordship added that it was an opportunity would be given to

THE POSITION IN GREECE.

THE CROWN COUNCIL AND THE ALLIES' DEMAND.

Athens, Nov. 29.

The Crown Council, presided over by the King, has decided to persist in its refusal to give up the arms demanded by the Allies.

Reuter understands that the Entente Ministers have taken steps to obtain from the Athens Government assurances that the lives and property of the Venizelists will be scrupulously respected.

GERMANY AND THE VENIZELISTS.

GERMANY TO TREAT THEM AS REBELS.

Amsterdam, Nov. 29.

The German Press refuses to accept the Venizelist declaration of war.

This leaves no doubt that any Venizelists falling into the hands of the Germans will be treated as rebels.

SUDDEN DEATH OF A PROMINENT SOUTH AFRICAN.

Bloomfontein, Nov. 29.

It is reported that Mr. Steyn, the former President of the Orange Free State, died suddenly while addressing a Women's Congress.

NEW GOVERNOR OF BENGAL.

London, Nov. 29.

The Earl of Ronaldshay has been appointed Governor of Bengal.

[The Earl of Ronaldshay has travelled extensively all over Asia, from Asiatic Turkey to Japan. In 1909 he published two volumes under the title of "A Wandering Student in the Far East, and in 1911 he published another volume entitled "An Eastern Miscellany." The Earl has represented the Home Office in the Middle East in the Unionist interest since 1907. His Lordship is 40 years of age.]

SHANGHAI RACE CLUB AND WAR FUNDS.

A GENEROUS CONTRIBUTION.

Out of the donations and proceeds derived from the Autumn 1916 Race Meeting, the Shanghai Race Club has been able to make the following contributions to the various war funds, namely:—

British Aircraft Fund, Cost of 1 Scout Plane, "Shanghai Race Club, No. 3"	£1,500
British Red Cross Society, Cost of 1 Motor Ambulance "Shanghai Race Club"	800
Belgian Red Cross	100
French Red Cross	100
Italian Red Cross	100
Russian Red Cross	100
Lord Kitchener National Memorial Fund	1,000
Blind Soldiers and Sailors Fund	500
Blue Cross Society	500
British Women's Work and Association, \$2,000 say	250
Shanghai Wounded Fund \$2,000 say	250
The Race Club's total contributions to the British and Allied War Funds for the last three race meetings now amount to approximately £11,500.	

THE SHANGHAI OPIUM CASE.

EX-TAOYIN FOUND GUILTY OF SMUGGLING.

The fourth and final hearing of the Yunnan opium case was held in the City Criminal Court at Shanghai last week before Judge Ling and Chao. The following view of the case was read by Judge Ling:

"1. 'According to Li Chen-wu's testimony Chow Ching-ping is guilty because, when the case was proceeding in the Mixed Court, he declared to the public that he did not know what the chests contained, whereas, if he had no knowledge that there was opium in the chests, why did he refuse to let them be taken to his home?'"

"2. 'Also, according to the testimony of Khung San-chu, Chow Ching-ping is guilty. For if he had returned his old house to the landlord, why were his servants still living there? That showed that the house was still under lease to Taoyin Chow.'"

"3. 'Yang Zung-tau being the representative of Taoyin Chow dared not attend this court. This shows that he realised his future dangerous position in connection with this criminal case. He was clever enough to make his escape.'"

"There was an exchange of arguments between Chow Ching-ping's lawyers and the Judge. The lawyers repeatedly argued that the real offenders were General Li Chen-wu and others. But the Judge replied that Li Chen-wu had served as a witness in the case to help the court to unravel the crime and that the court would entertain no further charges against him."

ACCIDENTS WILL HAPPEN.

It may be impossible to prevent an accident, but it is not impossible to be prepared for it. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is not a preventive, but it is a remedy for the cough which follows an accident.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

BRITISH FRONT SHELLED.

PROMPT AND EFFECTIVE RETALIATION.

London, Nov. 29.

General Sir Douglas Haig reports: "There has been considerable artillery work on our front on both sides of the Ancre."

Our retaliation was prompt and effective. The enemy's trench-mortars were active southward of Arras.

Our aircraft attacked several places of military importance, causing large explosions.

ARTILLERY ACTIVE ON FRENCH FRONT.

Paris, Nov. 27.

An official communiqué states that there has been moderate artillery activity on the Somme and at Douaumont.

ENEMY AEROPLANE BROUGHT DOWN.

LARGE SCALE MAP OF LONDON FOUND.

London, Nov. 29.

The Admiralty announces that the Commodore at Dunkirk has been informed by the French authorities that they brought down an aeroplane at 2.15 p.m. on the 28th. Two naval lieutenants, who were in possession of a large scale map of London, were aboard.

[Possibly this was the aeroplane that dropped bombs on London at noon on the 28th.]

WAR OFFICE FRICTION DENIED.

STATEMENT BY LORD DERBY.

London, Nov. 29.

In the House of Lords, in the course of a reply to Sir Robert Peel, Lord Derby made a statement regarding the appointment of a civilian, Sir Eric Gudge, as head of the railway, docks and canal transport in France. He said that Mr. Lloyd George and Sir Douglas Haig mutually concluded that the appointment was desirable. The Army Council had complete confidence in Sir Douglas Haig, and the Haig-Robertson combination was not to be equalled. He strongly condemned the circulation of false rumours to the effect that there was friction between the War Office and General Sir Douglas Haig.

GERMANS ADVANCING ON BUKHAREST.

RUMANIANS FALLING BACK METHODICALLY.

London, Nov. 29.

The fact that no battle has yet been fought between the Rumanians and the invaders is regarded as showing that the former are methodically retiring to positions nearer Bukharest, there to give battle. Bukharest has a first-class fortress, sixty miles in circumference, with a belt of thirty for last an average distance of five miles from the city, along with many mobile batteries. The whole circle of fortifications is connected by railways. Since the successful defence of Verdun, greater confidence is felt in the possibility of Bukharest resisting modern siege-guns, especially as there are indications that the Russians will supply a large part of the defence.

Though the Germans have acquired a large wheat-bearing area, they have nowhere yet approached the oil-fields, which are north of Bukharest.

A telegram from Petrograd says that the Germans are steadily advancing on the capital from the north, west, north west and south-west.

GREECE APPEALS TO NEUTRAL.

Athens, Nov. 29.

Greece has appealed to neutrals regarding Admiral Fournet's demands.

SUBMARINE PIRACY.

MORE VESSELS SUNK.

London, Nov. 28.

All on board the City of Birmingham (previously reported sunk) were saved except the doctor; the barman and two seamen.

The steamers Chemung (American), Bellis (Norwegian), and two French sailing vessels have been sunk.

The following sinking are reported:—Mihail and Christoforos (Greek), Rhonny, Ransgarth, Alton and Alert (British), along with three Welsh trawlers.

THE CHEMUNG MESSAGING.

The Chemung, mentioned in an earlier message, was sunk with the American flag flying at the masthead; the Captain refusing to haul it down.

WASHINGTON, NOV. 29.

The State Department has been informed of the loss of the Chemung by the Consul at Valencia. The opinion is expressed that the case is similar to that of the William P. Frye, and that the damages will probably be adjustable diplomatically.

BELGIAN POET'S TERRIBLE DEATH.

Paris, Nov. 29.

The Belgian poet, Emile Verhaeren, was killed while boarding a train when in motion at Rouen. He slipped and fell between the wheels, being shocked by the impact.

THE CROWN COLONIES AND COMPULSION.

STATEMENT BY MR. BONAR LAW.

London, Nov. 29.

In the House of Commons, Mr. J. C. Wedgwood (who served with the Royal Naval Division and was wounded at the Dardanelles) suggested the adoption of compulsion for British Whites in India, Egypt, Ceylon and the Crown Colonies.

Mr. Bonar Law, Secretary of State for the Colonies, replied that he had been advised that there was no reason to think that the adoption of the suggestion would add appreciably to the number in the Army; and therefore he was not prepared to recommend the necessary legislation.

RUSSIAN MINISTERIAL CHANGES.

Petrograd, Nov. 29.

Count Bobrinski has been relieved of his functions as Minister of Agriculture, and has been appointed Grand Master of the Court. Privy Councillor Bishch has been appointed Minister of the Interior and Minister of Agriculture.

THE CIVIL SERVICE.

London, Nov. 29.

The Lords Commissioners of the Treasury have appointed a committee consisting of Mr. Stanley Leathes (Chairman), Sir Alfred Ewing, Sir Henry Miles, Professor Adams (Oxford), and Mr. H. A. Fisher, to devise a new scheme of examination for Class I of the Home Civil Service, which shall, in their opinion, be best adapted for the selection of the type of officer required.

and at the same time be most advantageous to higher education in great Britain. In framing the scheme they will take into account, as far as possible, the various other purposes which the present scheme has up to the present served, and will consult the India Office, the Foreign Office and the Colonial Office regarding their requirements as far as they differ from those of the Home Civil Service.

The Times is of the opinion that the inclusion of Sir Alfred Ewing, with his experience as a Director of Naval Instruction, on the Civil Service Committee guarantees that the views of opponents of the present system on the ground that it puts a premium on "examining" will be fully considered. It is hoped that the committee will be able to suggest a scheme giving preference to Army Officers.

OBITUARY.

London, Nov. 29.

The death is announced of Colonel Ernest Feten.

EYE FOR SIGHTLESS SOLDIER.

ENGLISH GIRL'S HEROIC OFFER.

A touching act of self-sacrifice is conveyed in the heroic offer made to Dr. Kochon-Durigneau, the eminent oculist, by a young girl in England, who is willing to be deprived of one of her eyes if, by so doing, she can be the means of restoring sight to a blind soldier.

The doctor, who is chief of the ophthalmological clinique at Laennec hospital, some time ago, says the "Journal," expressed the opinion that it might be feasible to graft a tiny fragment of human cornea on another human cornea and so restore sight to a blind person. Learning of the sublime possibility foreshadowed by the words of the distinguished savant, a young girl of South Shields, with noble self-devotion, determined to surrender one of her eyes if, by that act she could accomplish any practical good. She therefore wrote to Dr. Kochon-Durigneau on September 24th as follows:—

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NO MORE "SKYSCRAPERS" FOR PARIS.

M. Paul Escudier, Deputy, has issued a report on the Bill introduced recently with the object of putting a stop to the construction of "skyscrapers" such as the Astoria Hotel. M. Escudier proposes stronger penalties for those breaking the more or less dead letter law on this respect, and suggests that the Council of the Prefecture of the Seine be given full power to stop the construction of any building going above the regulation height.

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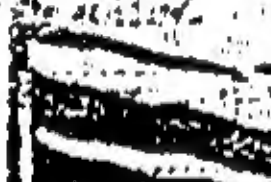
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